

Never=to=be Forgotten Clothing Sensation



Every six months we stop to consider the cause of the "after season's lull" in the clothing busi- is still one of the most energetic men on ness. To destroy precedents we have resorted to something out of the ordinary to make a sale big that he has reached three score. He is as five cents is a good profit off of 25 cents, enough, bright enough, honest enough to wake up the town. And we have. Our half-price sale has packed our store since Friday morning. The sale will be continued until next Saturday night.

The Price is Exactly One-Half! "I expectify from the period of the part of the

You Will Hardly Believe Your Own Eyes.

Men's Suits, regular price \$10, half price	\$5.00
Men's Suits, regular price \$15, half price	\$7.50
Men's Suits, regular price \$18, half price	\$9.00
Men's Suits, regular price \$20, half price	

This is no old bankrupt stock, but new, fresh 1896, all-Wool, elegant made suits, the only kind we sell.

The Trogress Cothing House

The Spring Campaign

We are preparing for it. New Spring Goods have commenced to arrive in great some suggestions DRAWN FROM quantities. Our buyers are now East scouring the markets for the Latest Spring Novelties. The STAR STORE increases its business every year. This year will witness a greater increase than ever, for we are getting things into shape for the largest business year we've ever had. THE BEST GOODS AT THE LOWEST PRICES. Customers and lookers always treated with the utmost courtesy. These are our rules, and they cannot be improved.

Buy Better Shirts and Pay Less

By buying them here. They are first-class, well-made garments, large bosoms, Linen where Linen ought to be, full-length

sleeves, and you can save money buying

Note the Values:

And they are the best values you

Laundered White Shirts, 50c.
Laundered White Shirts, 75c.
Laundered White Shirts, \$1.
Laundered Open-front White Shirts, 75c.
Laundered Pique-bosom White Shirts, 75c.
Laundered Embroidered-bosom White

Laundered Percale Negligee Shirts, 50c. Laundered Percale Negligee Shirts, 75c.

Laundered Percale Negligee Shirts, \$1. Laundered Percale Pleated Bosom, Cone's Boss Make, Shirts, 75c.

Shirts, 49c. Laundered White Body Colored Boso

Laundered White Body Colored Bosom

Laundered Percale Boys' Neglige Shirts,

Laundered White Body Colored Boso

All the above Shirts are new styles fo

Spring, and the patterns are very hand-

Last year we carried the best line of

from 50c to \$1.50. This season's assortments

All garments are made in the very new-

est styles. Sleeves the latest. Laundry

At 50c-New styles in Ladies' Shirt Waists

black and whites, blue and whites, large

leeves, newest cut. Last season's 75c

At 89c-New Style Waists, extra Modish

sleeves, with white cord piping.

At \$1-A beautiful line of Waists-vellows.

blacks, reds, navies, with colored stripes.

We are offering you choice of any Ladies' Jacket in our house at S. Finest of Cloth

The form. These are the kind we keep,

a \$2 Corset of us, you'll get a satisfactory

Heavily boned, 4 side steels, six-hook. We doubt any one showing you a better

An entirely new make. Very handsome form, and a good, durable Corset, closely

RELIABLE FOOTWEAR at

Some odd lots of Winter Goods are of

Spring heel, patent or leather tips. You

CHOICE LADIES' FINEST SHOES, \$2.58

To close out balance of our Fine Shoes

before the new Spring ones come in we offer you choice of our \$4 and \$5 Ladies'

Button and lace, all the newest toes.

LADIES' DONGOLA, NEEDLE TOE

The Star Stone

LADIES' VICI KID SHOES, \$1.50

buy a better grade in Shoe Stores

and no matter whether you buy a 49c

Garments. Values were \$10 to \$20.

A HIGH-BUST CORSET at 40c

KABO HIGH BUST CORSETS, \$1

Is rapidly nearing completion.

MISSES' DONGOLA SHOES, 79c

French Kid Shoes at \$2.58

THE SPRING SHOE STOCK

ROCK-BOTTOM PRICES.

fered you at bargain closing-out prices.

Dongola stock, opera tip, button, sizes to 7. Regular \$1.50 Shoe,

10 CASES OF LADIES' SHOES, 98c

CORSETS THAT FIT

Waist wasn't the equal of this 50c grade.

firt Waists in the city, at prices ranging

NEW SPRING SHIRT WAISTS

are three-fold greater than last.

Laundered Percale Cone's Pleated Boson

WHITE SHIRTS

Shirts, \$1.

and Cuff Shirts, 59c

and Cuff Shirts, 75c

and Cuff Shirts, \$1.

All nobby styles.

CLOAKS AT \$5

Spring Waists ARE BLOOMING FORTH IN THE **Dress Goods Department**



New 1896 Styles in Alcazar Novelty Suitings a yard

These are the same grade of goods we advertised and sold so largely last Spring and Fall. But the styles are exclusively 1896 designs. The goods give satisfaction of we wouldn't handle them three seasons suc cessively. Five lines of styles in about 65 colorings. They are undoubtedly the greatest line of 49c Novelty Dress Goods

Samples Mailed on Request. BLACK DRESS GOODS

A new spring importation of All-Wool Black Novelty Brocades, satin-faced goods, different designs and have never sold for less than 49c a yard. Importing them ourselves enables us to offer you these good

39c.

ALL-WOOL FRENCH SERGES, 25c now in stock. Extra good values ALL-WOOL GERMAN HENRIETTAS, 25c Black and all the new Spring shades ar ready for you. A usual 39c grade. NEW SILK EFFECT PLAIDS, 25c

Double-width goods, in a handsome range of styles. SILK AND WOOL PLAIDS, 49c

40 inches wide, domestic manufacture but styles and quality will equal the

THE LINEN DEPARTMENT

Has been enjoying a booming trade the past few weeks. There's a great stock on display there and the prices are very low. AUSTRIAN LINEN CRASH, Se a yard. Dice Patterns, plain white or colored bor-

SILVER BLEACHED DAMASK, 39c inches wide, and every thread pur-Knotted Fringe DAMASK TOWELS, 15c 20x40 inches, every thread Linen, Satin Damask figures. You might pay 25c for

52x60-inch, colored border, fringed, A Linen Lunch Cloths, worth \$1, at 68c. These items only represent a very few of the numerous good values we are show-

GOOD MUSLIN VALUES

Yard wide, extra good quality, Brown Lonsdale, Fruit of the Loom, Masonville and Hill's, all the very best, yard wide, Bleached Muslins at 7160 Six90-inch best quality Unbleached Readymade Sheets, 420 45x36-inch Ready-made Bleached Pillow

NEW SPRING WASH GOODS

CAMILLE ORGANDIES, 12 1-2e In a beautiful range of Patterns. Se these goods and get an idea of the beautiful new Spring styles. NEW WHITE DIMITIES, 10c to 25c A large range of Plain White Corded Dimities, all at money-saving prices.

The Star Stone

WAYS OF THE WORLD

THE SCHOOL OF EXPERIENCE.

Conditions Under Which You May E ter Politics, Your Conduct When In, and the Time to Get Out.

As "in spring the young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love," so in the opening of a presidential year the thought and ambition of thousands of men, young and old, turn to the field of politics. These men are badly in need of advice, and, whether they like it or not, I believe it my patriotic duty to give it to them. Though I rather anticipate a respectful hearing from the aspirants of more mature years, I hesitate somewhat in endeavoring to give advice to young politicians. They know so much more than I can possibly have picked up in twenty years' experience that it seems a little like carrying coals to Newcastle. My first advice is "don't," but that will not be accepted, of course. The instinct for politics is a little bit like the instinct for gambling, and if you have already acquired the weakness, it will require something a heap more severe than friendly advice to Shirts, \$1. Laundered Percale Shirts, 2 separate col-

> to go into politics. If you are born rich and can think of no other way to amuse yourself, you can indulge in it, just as you would "take a flyer" in Wall street or on the race rack. Again, if you are poor, out of a position, have no talents for anything else and are not particular about your selfrespect, you can afford to go in on the theory that you have nothing to lose and may possibly gain something. In the third case, if you are already so well established in business that nothing can shake you. have retired with a large fortune at your back, you can afford to spend some money and time in the pursuit of the phantom, fame. But if you belong to any of these classes or conditions of men you must have the right temperament or you will find a heap more misery than pleasure in the field of politics. In the first place you must be able to see friendships shattered and even shatter them yourself without a pang. You must be able to stand the bitterest sort of disappointment with the happiest sort of smile, and never know when you are whipped. You must make up your mind which side of any controversy is going to win, and espouse that side with all your might. You must be able to shake hands with your dearest enemy, and even work shoulder to shoulder with him when circumstances happen to throw you in the same harness, and circumstances will fre-

quently do that very thing, THE WAY TO SUCCESS. I take it that you want to succeed your political ambitions, and are perfectly willing to subordinate everything to that end. If not, you had better get out. Such being the case, then, you are not for this principle nor that principle, for this candidate or that candidate-you are for yourself, first, last and all the time. You should be utterly cold-blooded, but never let anybody know it. You should make a confidant of every one, but be careful to confide nothing of importance to anybody. Your ultimate ambitions and purposes, your analyses of the character of your friends and your enemies, your real views on questions of party policy you must keep strictly to yourself. Every man you meet is a liar and has some selfish purpose of his own-until he proves the contrary. Even then, you must take all he says with a grain of salt. You must take him seriously and believe everything he says so long as you are with him. As soon as he goes, pause and figure out his motives. You may then, if you are shrewd, be able to locate him. You can depend upon a man to be with you upon any proposition when his interest to be with you, that your subfluence. Otherwise he is an uncertain

quantity. The two powerful motives that move men in politics are the "gratitude of expected favors" and the desire for revenge, the yearning to get even. Gratitude for past favors is a mighty weak sort of prop to lean upon. The hankering for revenge, however, is a very powerful motive. Men will waste a heap of money and energy in politics for the purpose of evening

up a wrong, real or fancied. Before you express an opinion on any subject be sure and use every means at your command to find out which is going to Don't go off half-cocked with your true opinion, or you may find yourself in the end rather lonesome. Follow the same rule in giving your support to this or that canstrong enough to win. It is well, too, when that far along, to be sure and select candi- which a Wall-street stock gambler can dates who have enough inherent strength to win by their own exertions. Then make them think you did the business for them. The espousal of one of two losing candidates or unpopular causes may ruin you

Always keep in touch with your home people. Find out what they want and go after it "tooth and toe-nail." You cannot der too much obligation to you. I have voters of the precinct or ward attend, and to bring out, and then drumming up a bigger crowd yourself. You don't have to explain things to all your friends. It ought to be sufficient for them to know which side you are fighting on. You will never get to they begin to realize that you are bossing them, and they promptly turn you down.

WHEN TO RUN FOR OFFICE. Never be a candidate for anything until the time is ripe for you to go after the goal of your ambition. Every time you "run" for something you appear to your friends as more or less of an ass, and weaken your influence. Wait until you have acquired enough strength and until a year when your party is going to win; then go after the thing you have set your heart upon, go after it hard, get it and-quit. Don't make the mistake of trying to run politics after you get into office. The party has paid you off and owes you nothing; you have made twenty bitter enemies and one doubtful friend with every appointment; you have been compelled to take a positive stand on every question relating to the administration of your office, and have weakened yourself in a dozen other ways. When you are so unfortunate as to be a cardidate you must be mighty poor during the campaign; otherwise you will be poor in reality after it is over. Pay your assessments if you can't get out of it, but, if possible, pay them mostly in notes payable after election and contingent upon success. While the legitimate expenses of a campaign are pretty heavy, any money spent in illegitimate ways is simply money thrown away. Under the Australian law the "floater" will take money and still vote as he pleases. A man who is dishonest enough to permit himself to be bought is rarely honest enough to "stay bought." But when you are chairman of the committee. or just a sort of outside boss, "soak" the candidates for all they are worth. Fix the assessments at the highest figure the candidates can possibly pay. Money may not make the campaign successful, but it cer-

After you have succeeded in your ultimate prose and gotten the office you want. don't be fooled by further promptings of mbition. The smart politician is the one who knows when to quit. Retire on your laurels, keep your money to yourself, and enjoy your success without risking another

GOLDEN ERA AT HAND

HENRY CLEWS PROPHESIES THA GOOD TIMES ARE COMING,

And Senator Teller Chats of the Rich Gold Mines of Colorado, and of Big Fortunes Made and Lost.

(Copyrighted, 1896, by Frank G. Carpenter.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.-While in New York the other day I dropped in for a few moments at the office of Henry Clews, and had a characteristic chat with him about money matters. Mr. Clews is the I visited two of the greatest mines there oldest broker in Wall street. He began to speculate at twenty-two, and he is st in the swim at sixty. He has known intune makers for the past thirty-five years, \$16,000 worth of gold a day, or more than is said to be worth millions to-day. He the street, and you would never suppose bright as a silver dollar fresh from the mint, and talks in the quick, jerky way of the business man of his time. I asked him first as to the times. He told me that prosperity had come to stay, and that we were on the up-grade of financial good

"I expect to see the times improve stead- take any stock in the gold discoveries; and ily from now on. We are going to have a Colorado men had to develop the mines of gold inflation, and the golden era | themselves. This is what I want. I want to come. We will produce more to see the State develop itself and get the part of this will go into circulation. There of Colorado. We are practically independare new gold fields being discovered in all ent. Colorado has all sorts of resources, parts of the world, and the probability is that the output will increase rather than tically full in preparation for possible wars the Eastern cities. The gold discoveries culation during the next five years, and this will create at least a billion dollars of credit money. The result will be a gold inflation and the prices of everything will and its deposits now amount to more than

"Will there be a panic at the end of it?" "Yes, the panic will come sooner or later. Prosperity and the reverse move in waves, and we are bound to have our ups and downs just about every so often."

"How about interest rates? Have they them busy for years, and new mines, as not got to the bottom?" "No, I think not," replied Mr. Clews. "Interest is falling and will probably fall. It usually amounts to about \$150,000,000 The low rate of interest depends upon credit. Our government has such good credit that it can get money very cheaply. known to be good, and every one wants to lend to them."

silver will go up. I do not, however, be-MONEY IN WALL STREET. lieve that this will make immediate good "How about Wall street? Is there as times. Capital is timid. There are few much chance to make money as there has new factories being started, and it will

been in the past?" "Yes, every bit. Men are making money | substantial change in the financial situahere now. Successful Wall-street speculators are born, not made. They come into the street, and by industry, energy and practical common sense make fortunes."

"What are the elements of a successful "The chief thing is to know a good thing when you see it, and to act upon it the study the markets, and to be able to reason and think for himself. He has to be careful in his habits, and see that his brain is is so rich that it can be taken out at an prove the popular side of the argument. | in good condition. If his vital force goes out in dissipation of any kind he can't use it here, and, I can tell you, he needs vital

"In Monte Carlo, Mr. Clews, where real gambling goes on, there are numerous men who have systems which they think will beat the game. Is there any system by

"No. I think not." replied the old broker. "Men with systems come here by the scores. They invariably fail in the end. You can't play Wall street on system." "How does a presidential campaign af-

fect Wall street?" "It is bad," replied Mr. Clews. "Bad for the speculators, bad for the brokers, bad possibly put your immediate neighbors un- all around. People get interested in the different candidates. The bankers and known bosses of high degree in State pol- | brokers are appointed on committees, and ities to fall from grace in a single day, sim- they devote time to politics which they orplay because they failed to control the pri- | dinarily use in the street. Both Wall street mary in their own precinct. This matter of and the people lose a great deal during a think. He left the book store to be cashier

States, Mr. Clews?" "I believe Cornelius Vanderbilt stands the head," was the reply. "He has at least one hundred million dollars."

THE RICHEST MEN. "Who are the five richest men?"

"Let me see," was the reply of the broker, as he held up a delicate white hand, and began to count on his fingers, beginning at the little one. "There is Cornelius second, William Waldorf Astor, the fortune of Jay Gould, and, lastly, that of John Rockefeller. Each of these is worth from fifty millions to a hundred million dollars. and together they represent an enorm

"Are not these large fortunes dangerous to the United States?" I asked, "Don't you think that we are liable to have a so-

"No, I think not," replied Mr. Clews. "The only way these fortunes have been the eldest son, and the Astor millions are kept together. The rule is that rich famfour generations. That may be called the life of a fortune. We have no law of tail, and the sharp young fellows from fortunes of the effete rich."

"How about the honor of Wall street? Some people think that the brokers are

"I don't believe that there is a place

"It feels so bad," replied Mr. Clews, with a shudder, "that I don't like to talk of don't want to think about it. Why, I nothing. I got up, however, but I don't

TELLER TALKS OF CRIPPLE CREEK peaking of Mr. Clews's belief of th CLARENCE M'CLOSKEY. | being a gold era at hand, I had a chat the | (Continued on Tenth Page.) | ognized the world over as no best practical

THE HEALER'S SYMBOL other day with Senator Henry M. Teller about the rich Cripple Creek gold mines of Colorado. Cripple Creek lies just back of

Pike's Peak. It is, perhaps, the best gold

region in the United States to-day. Sen-

ator Teller had just come from the mines

the financial skies have changed, and all the clouds have golden linings. New mines

have been discovered at Cripple Creek, and

we have some rich gold mines at Camp

Creek and Fulford. The Cripple Creek

mines are turning out gold at the rate of

from eight to ten million dollars a year.

the Independence mine is equally good.

The Portland mine is turning out about

"Yes, it is," said I. "But I suppose the

most of this money goes to the East?"

tinue to increase?"

be. I think, several years before we see a

"Speaking of the Cripple Creek mines,

then \$800,000 on deposit in a Denver bank."

"No. I believe not," replied Senator Tel-

rich at Cripple Creek. It was the same

with one of the owners of the Portland

mine, which I told you was also turning

out a half million dollars a month. He

was a plumber a few years ago, and was

GOSSIP ABOUT MOFFATT.

"Yes," replied Senator Teller. "When

first knew David H. Moffatt he was run-

became its president. I don't mean that

he did anything not strictly honest, but

he is a natural money-maker, and he has

"What is Mr. Moffatt worth now, Sen-

"I suppose he is worth anywhere between

here and there, but he is bound to come

taken a million. He is now interested in

mines all over Colorado. He owns rail-

"What kind of a man is Moffatt, Sen-

ator?" said I. "You remember how a

tramp scared him into a present of \$20,000

"It was not water," replied Senator Tel-

ler. "It was a bottle of sweet oil. I have

talked with Mr. Moffatt about it. He was

Denver one day, when a wild-eyed looking

fellow entered. He seemed to be desperate

and he sald he was so. After a few mo-

ments' talk he pulled a little bottle out of

his pocket, held it up before Moffatt and

told him that it consined nitro-glycerine.

He said he was bound to have some money

and that Moffatt could choose between giv-

ing it to him and being blown into atoms.

He told Moffatt that he was bound to have

and give him the money. If he did not

he would drop the bottle on the floor and

blow himself. Moffatt and the bank into

eternity. Mr. Moffatt looked at the man.

He did not know whether he was telling

risk was too great and that he would

oblige the man. He told me that he

thought the man could be caught after he

had gotten the money and started out

of the bank. Well, he walked to the cash-

out the money lost was nothing to him.

Any sensible man would have done the

same. You see you can't calculate very

ely as to whether a man's pistol is

was never caugh. The incident

inter in the outer office, get it cashed

sitting in the back room of his bank

road and other stocks, and he is one

the boldest operators of the West.

has large interests at Cripple Creek."

money into it and developed it, and

of that mine alone he has, I

with a little bottle of water?"

always been successful."

"How about David H. Moffatt, Senator?"

working for a few dollars a day."

the most money out of them?"

when I saw him. Said he:

THE PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL IN-SIGNIA FOR MEDICAL MEN.

"A wonderful gold development is going Col. R. F. Stone, Surgeon-General of on in Colorado, and this has practically the Indiana National Guard, Sugchanged the condition of the State. We seemed to be on the verge of ruin in 1893 gests a Design for an Emblem. through the fall in the price of silver. Now

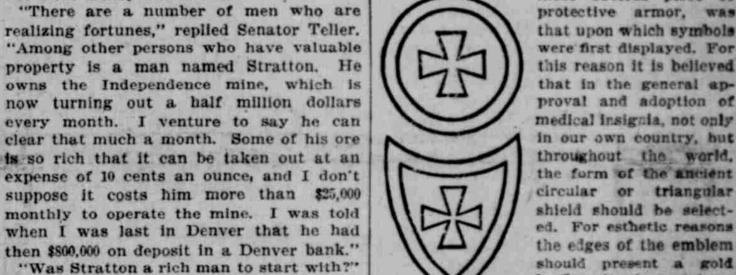
Since the recent publication of various

articles discussing international medical in-

signia, which have appeared in the leading medical journals of this country, and especially those from the editorial pens of the Boston Medical and Surgical Journal, the Journal of the Navy and of the Ameriduring my stay. In the Portland mine I can Medical Association, much interest has found millions in sight, and I am told that been excited and great unanimity of opinion expressed concerning the symbolism and esthetics of our profession. As one phase of the development of this question, half a million dollars a month. It costs it may be stated that Col. C. H. Alden. assistant surgeon-general of the United States army, has been appointed chairman ounce of gold is, you know, worth more of a committee to adopt insignia to distinthan \$20. Nineteen dollars and twentyguish the medical corps of the army from and as the medical officers of the National Guard may adopt the same design he has requested the surgeons-general of different "No, it does not," replied Senator Teller. States to offer suggestions as to the most "I thank fortune it does not. The East appropriate emblem for this purpose, and has had little confidence in Colorado of late years. It would not for a long time this investigation it has been found that profit. We don't want a lot of fellows livparticular symbols have in all ages been ing in the East and fattening off the body assumed by the various civilized and uncivilized families of the human race. They have been placed upon the standards and and if the people do not want our silver we can give them gold. If they don't genealogical escutcheons of kings and the want gold we will give them coal, and nobility, and for centuries they have been literary and scientific organizations, by guilds, as well as by various civil and letter stated that there was more than a posited in its bank vaults. I have a recent statement from one of our banks in Denclans, although incased like the knights ver. It has a half million dollars capital "Do you think this gold output will con-"I don't know why it should not," replied Senator Teller. "Some of the mines which I saw have enough gold in sight to keep stood that the great mission of the medical profession is the protection of life, and that I said, are being discovered. There is a while this should be symbolized, the insignia great increase in the world's gold product. should also be expressive of the ancient origin of the noble art of healing. Early inannually. It is now going on at such a rate signia were usually very simple, the colors that it will amount to more than \$200,000,in strong contrast, and their form and out-000 a year, and I will not be surprised to see it increase to \$250,000,000 a year. Such an increase will surely raise prices and

EXPLANATION OF THE DESIGN. In order that medical insignia, as an emblem of neutrality, might be of international depend upon its form, design and coloring. and not from bearing upon its face any printed letters, words, motto in Latin or meet this requirement the outlines of such a

Senator, who are the men who are making | device are here presented. The shield, as the that upon which symbols



medical insignia, not only n our own country, but throughout the world, he form of the ancient circular or triangular shield should be selected. For esthetic reasons the edges of the emblem should present a gold border, its inescutcheon should be of dark green

"He came West poor and struck it metal upon metal and color upon color is of the cross and green color of the field are not only universally recognized as symbols of life, thus emphasizing the significance of but are also the most attractive and beauti-Denver. He came West from Omaha, I ful shades in nature, and when these are asvocation, the ancient origin and the essential object of our profession-the protection life-would be completely symbol-

signia would need no further interpretation. But why should the cross be adopted as

the essential feature of our insignia? In

It was made of the most precious matericiform type. Thus was art taught to aid nature.' There is hardly a har also, but uses the figure of it among the implements of his industry. It forms the he raises his hands in prayer.

In the middle ages the cross sign was universally held to be the special and dispresent day the cross and the crescent are symbols which distinguish the faith of the Christian from that of the Mosle a.

THE CROSS AS A SYMBOL While as a symbol of the Christian faith at once pre-eminently characteristic and significant, the cross, in various modifications of its form, would naturally be adopted for many purposes and used in a diversity of ways, and while the greatest progress in medical science has been made since our crucified Savior died in order that sinful world might have eternal life, and while in many ages and nations the van majority of those distinguished in mo mals have been devout m Christian faith, and while es of the Red Cro